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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Applicant: Uri Elzur § Art Unit: 2155
Serial No.: 09/364,085 §
Filed: July 30, 1999 § Examiner: Wendy Lee
Title: Associating a Packet § Docket No. ITL.0149US
With a Flow § (P6585)

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 1, 2002

Dear Sir:

In an Office Action mailed on March 1, 2002, an objection was made to the Declaration for allegedly not including the inventor's signature; claims 1, 3-10, 12-15 and 17-19 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) as being anticipated by Jackowski; and claims 2, 11 and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jackowski in view of Radogna. These rejections are discussed below in the corresponding sections.

Objection to the Declaration:

Enclosed herein is a copy of the signed Declaration submitted to the Patent Office on October 19, 1999, in a Reply to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. As can be seen from the filed documents, the Declaration was signed and dated by the inventor. Therefore, withdrawal of this objection is requested.

Rejections of Claims 1-8:

The method of claim 1 is for use with a computer system that includes storing a table in a memory of a peripheral. The table includes entries that identify different packet flows. The method includes receiving a packet and using the table to associate the packet with one of the packet flows.

Date of Deposit: 3-3-03
I hereby certify under 37 CFR 1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as **first class mail** with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

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